



State's December 1 inventory dropped 4 percent

Hawaii farmers had 364,000 egg-type chickens on hand on December 1, 2010, down 15,000 or 4 percent from 2009. Of the total chickens, 336,000 or 92 percent were layers and 28,000 were non-laying pullets.

Egg production for 2010 totaled 69.5 million, unchanged from the 2009 total. The average number of layers on hand during 2010 was 326,000. A decrease of 1 percent compared to the previous year. Production per layer

increased to an average of 213 eggs in 2010, up 1 percent from the 2009 rate of 211 eggs per layer.

Production levels unchanged from 2009

The farm price of a dozen eggs in 2010 averaged \$1.51, which equals the 2009 state record price.

Total cash receipts for eggs was up slightly from 2009 as egg production equaled previous year, but rounded estimate rose by \$1,000.

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Year	All chickens (excluding broilers)	Number of layers			Non-laying pullets		Other chickens (excluding broilers)
		Hens 1 year +	Pullets under 1 year	Total	Over 3 months	Under 3 months	
Thousands							
State							
2006	470	293	122	415	20	35	*
2007	398	265	90	355	20	23	*
2008	373	250	84	334	18	21	*
2009	379	235	84	319	29	31	*
2010	364	247	89	336	14	14	*

* = Less than 500.